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Section 1. Section 28-24-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-24-1. Definitions

- (a) Those definitions set forth in [S]sections 28-25 and 28-30 of the Connecticut General Statutes shall govern the provisions of [S]sections 28-24-1 to [28-24-11] 28-24-14, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, in addition to definitions set forth in subsection (b) of this section.
- (b) As used in [S]sections 28-24-1 to [28-24-11] <u>28-24-14</u>, inclusive:
 - (1) "Regional emergency telecommunications center" means an entity, authorized by the Department of Public Safety, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, as the public safety answering point[,] responsible for the receipt and processing of 9-1-1 calls for at least three municipalities.
 - (2) "Public safety answering point" means a facility, AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 28-27(b) OF THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES, operated on a twenty-four hour basis, assigned the responsibility of receiving 9-1-1 calls and, as appropriate, directly dispatching emergency response services, or transferring or relaying [emergency] 9-1-1 calls to other public safety agencies. A public safety answering point is the first point of reception by a public safety agency of a 9-1-1 call and serves the jurisdictions in which it is located or other participating jurisdictions.
 - (3) "Private safety answering point" means a facility within a private company, corporation or institution, operated on a twenty-four hour basis, and assigned the responsibility of receiving 9-1-1 calls routed by a private branch exchange and, directly dispatching in-house emergency response services, or transferring or relaying [emergency] 9-1-1 calls to other public or private safety agencies.
 - (4) "Municipality" means any town, city, borough, consolidated town and city or consolidated town and borough.
 - (5) "Public safety agency" means a functional division of a municipality or the state, which provides fire fighting, law enforcement[,] or emergency medical services.
 - (6) "Secondary answering point" means a facility to which a [P]public [S]safety [A]answering [P]point transfers a 9-1-1 call.
 - (7) "Enhanced 9-1-1 network" means the arrangement of channels, loops, trunks, paths[,] and associated switching devices, nodes, interconnections, data management equipment[,] and station equipment designed to handle enhanced 9-1-1 calls.
 - (8) "Subscriber assessment" means the monthly telephone subscriber assessment as determined by the Department of Public Utility Control. Such assessment is collected from subscribers of local

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telephone service by telephone or telecommunications companies providing such service and by each provider of commercial mobile radio service, pursuant to [S]section 16-256g of the Connecticut General Statutes, and deposited in the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.

- (9) "MULTI-TOWN PSAP" MEANS AN ENTITY AUTHORIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AS THE PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RECEIPT AND PROCESSING OF 9-1-1 CALLS FOR TWO MUNICIPALITIES.
- (10) "CAPITAL EXPENDITURE" MEANS ANY SINGLE NON-RECURRING ACQUISITION IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 FOR DURABLE GOODS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OR RELATED SERVICES IN A SINGLE BUDGET CYCLE.

Sec. 2. Section 28-24-3 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-24-3. Subsidization of regional public safety emergency telecommunications centers, MULTI-TOWN PSAPS and eligible municipalities

Regional Emergency Telecommunications Centers, MULTI-TOWN PSAPS and eligible municipalities requesting subsidies shall submit to the Department of Public Safety, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, evidence of the following in order to be eligible for receipt of funding:

- (a) Regional emergency telecommunications centers AND MULTI-TOWN PSAPS shall provide for representative boards with voting by members SELECTED BY THE CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL OF THE MEMBER MUNICIPALITY.
- (b) Regional emergency telecommunications centers, MULTI-TOWN PSAPS and eligible municipalities shall provide annual reports to the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, no later than January 31st of each year. The report shall set forth, in a form prescribed by the DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, a detailed statement of:
 - (1) The proposed annual operating budget for the fiscal year starting the following July 1st;
 - (2) Expenditures of state funds provided under [S]sections 28-24-1 to [28-24-11] 28-24-14, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies during the previous fiscal year ending June 30th;
 - (3) Documentation of any 9-1-1 failures during the previous fiscal year; [and]
 - (4) Documentation of the total number of requests for emergency assistance received by the public safety answering point during the previous fiscal year by the 9-1-1[-] system[.]; AND
 - (5) DOCUMENTATION OF THE PERFORMANCE OF A QUARTERLY ASSURANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PROCESSING OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH.

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- (c) Each regional emergency telecommunications center AND MULTI-TOWN PSAP shall have a chief administrative officer and a chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall give a surety bond in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars.
- (d) All public safety answering points shall submit an updated enhanced 9-1-1 service utilization plan in accordance with the provisions of [S]section 28-27a of the Connecticut General Statutes [prior to July 1, 1997].
- (e) Payment of subsidies shall be made in equal quarterly payments, no later than thirty days prior to the start of the quarter. Payments shall be made in accordance with the funding formula established in subsection (j) of this section. No later than sixty days after the end of each quarter, the regional emergency telecommunications center, MULTI-TOWN PSAP or eligible municipality shall submit a financial report of the expenses of the previous quarter to the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications. QUARTERLY PAYMENTS MAY BE WITHHELD IF FINANCIAL REPORTS ARE NOT SUBMITTED.
- (f) Except as provided in subsection (h) of this section, any funds issued at the beginning of a quarter, and not expended by a regional emergency telecommunications center, MULTI-TOWN PSAP or eligible municipality during that quarter[,] shall be applied toward future allocations.
- (g) Funds provided to regional emergency telecommunications centers, MULTI-TOWN PSAPS or eligible municipalities shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing emergency telecommunications services. Funds shall not be used for the following purposes:
 - [(1) Capital project expenditures including the purchase or construction of buildings or structures;]
 - [(2)] (1) Purchase or leasing of real estate or vehicles; or
 - [(3)] (2) Operational expenditures not related to public safety emergency telecommunications.
- (h) In no case shall the state provide funding in excess of one hundred percent of the operational requirements of a regional emergency telecommunications center, MULTI-TOWN PSAP or an eligible municipality. Any subsidy in excess of one hundred percent of operational requirements, provided in any given fiscal year, shall be refunded to the State of Connecticut, Office of the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.
- (i) Any entity provided with subsidy or grant funds shall be audited in accordance with the provisions of [S]sections 4-230 through 4-236 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
- (j) The formula for the calculation of the subsidies to regional emergency telecommunications centers, MULTI-TOWN PSAPS and for municipalities with a population in excess of [seventy thousand] FORTY THOUSAND is based upon the following variables:
 - (1) Aggregate population (*variable p*) of the municipalities served based upon the most recent population figures from the Department of Public Health.
 - (2) The calculation of variable n is based upon the percent above the state median number of 9-1-1 calls received. Variable n shall not be less than 1. In the event that the calculated number is less than 1, the number utilized shall be 1. The number of 9-1-1 calls received by the regional communications center, MULTI-TOWN PSAP or eligible

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municipality shall be provided on an annual basis. For the purposes of calculation, data for the previous calendar year of the total count of actual 9-1-1 calls, as recorded by each telephone or telecommunications company providing local telephone service and each provider of commercial mobile radio service, shall be utilized. The number of inquiries to the Automatic Location Identification (ALI) data base for each public safety answering point is not to be utilized in the calculation of the number of 9-1-1 calls.

- (3)
- (A) The emergency telecommunications service count (*variable* c_{I}) is based upon the sum of the emergency telecommunications service counts for the municipality or municipalities served. For each municipality served, the factors of .025 for one emergency service dispatched, .05 for two emergency services dispatched[,] and .1 for three emergency services dispatched shall be utilized. For each municipality, the variable c_I shall not exceed .1.
- (B) The emergency telecommunications service count shall be increased for regional emergency telecommunications centers AND MULTI-TOWN PSAPS by a factor of .02 each year, starting with the second year, until a maximum of .2 is achieved.
- (C) Those municipalities exclusively served by the Connecticut State Police for law enforcement purposes and participating in a regional emergency telecommunications center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP shall be credited with one additional dispatch service in the calculation of the service count variable c_{I} .
- (4) The number of full service dispatch centers (*variable* c_2) shall not exceed the value of 1.0. Municipalities with populations in excess of [seventy thousand] FORTY THOUSAND and funded under the subsidy program that continue to utilize secondary answering points for emergency telecommunications services[,] shall be subject to a reduction in the value of 1.0 by .25 for each year of continued utilization of secondary public safety answering points, starting in the second year.

FUNDS WITHHELD AS A RESULT OF THE OPERATION OF A SECONDARY PSAP SHALL BE HELD BY THE OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS. IF PSAP CONSOLIDATION DOES NOT OCCUR DURING THE THREE-YEAR PERIOD, THE WITHHELD FUNDS WILL BE REALLOCATED FOR USE BY THE ENHANCED 9-1-1 TELECOMMUNICATIONS FUND.

(5) The funding base variable (*variable b*) is one dollar AND FIFTY CENTS in year one. In subsequent years, the funding base variable shall be one dollar AND FIFTY CENTS plus the average growth rate of the Consumer Price Index, as recorded by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, over the previous three calendar years. IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS, *VARIABLE B* SHALL INCREASE BY .1 EACH YEAR UNTIL *VARIABLE B*

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EQUALS 2.0. The calculation of the base variable shall be performed prior to January 31st of each year.

(6) The funding formula shall be as follows: subsidy payment t equals the total of *variable p* times *variable n* multiplied by the sum of *variable* c_1 and *variable* c_2 times *variable b*. Therefore $t = ((p*n) * (\sum c_1, c_2))*b$.

Example 1: City "A" has a population (p) of 140,000 and 2.2 (n) value for percent above THE state median of 9-1-1 calls. City "A" dispatches the three emergency services ($c_1 = 0.1$) and serves only one city ($c_2 = 1$). The funding base value is [\$1] \$1.50. The calculated subsidy to City "A" would be:

[(140,000*2.2)*(0.1+1)*\$1 = \$338,800](140,000*2.2)*(0.1+1)*\$1.50 = \$508,200

Example 2: Regional Emergency Telecommunications Center "X" has a population of 90,000 and a value of 1 (n) for percent above THE state median of 9-1-1 calls. Regional Emergency Telecommunications Center "X" provides dispatch service for fire and emergency medical services to ten towns. All ten towns are exclusively served by the Connecticut State Police. Therefore, variable c_1 equals ten times 0.1 (1.0). Variable c_2 equals the maximum value of 1.0. The funding base value is [\$1] \$1.50. The calculated subsidy to Regional Emergency Telecommunications Center "X" would be:

[(90,000*1)*(1+1)* \$1 = \$180,000] $\underline{(90,000*1)*(1+1)* $1.50 = $270,000}$

(k) A NEW MULTI-TOWN PSAP, FORMED BY TWO TOWNS THAT ARE PART OF AN EXISTING REGIONAL EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTER, SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR ENHANCED 9-1-1 FUNDING AFTER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD.

Sec. 3. Sections 28-24-4 to 28-24-8, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies are amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-24-4. Subsidization of municipalities with populations in excess of [70,000] 40,000

- (a) The formula detailed in subsection (j) of [S]section 28-24-3 of [these regulations] SECTIONS 28-24-1 TO 28-24-14, INCLUSIVE, OF THE REGULATIONS OF CONNECTICUT STATE AGENCIES[,] shall be used for calculation of the subsidy for municipalities with populations in excess of [seventy thousand] FORTY THOUSAND.
- (b) The subsidy for municipalities utilizing secondary answering points for emergency telecommunications services shall be reduced annually, as calculated in *variable* c_2 , which is defined in subsection (j)(4) of [S]section 28-24-3 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. In the event that a municipality with a reduced subsidy reorganizes its emergency

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telecommunications operations in a manner [which] THAT eliminates the secondary operation, the funding level of that municipality shall be restored to the level calculated under the formula for a full service emergency telecommunications center. REQUESTS TO RESTORE FUNDING MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, NO LATER THAN SIXTY DAYS PRIOR TO THE START OF THE OUARTER.

(c) Subsidies to municipalities with populations in excess of [seventy thousand] FORTY THOUSAND shall be given either as an eligible municipality[or], as a regional emergency telecommunications center [but not for both.] OR AS A MULTI-TOWN PSAP.

Sec. 28-24-5. Implementation of a transition grant program

- (a) [On or after July 1, 1997,] ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2006, municipalities may apply for regional emergency telecommunications center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP transition grants for the purpose of reimbursing such municipalities' expenses related to the transition of existing emergency telecommunications services to an approved multi-jurisdictional [regional] emergency telecommunications center. Such reimbursable expenses, WHICH shall be limited to costs associated with the relocation of existing emergency telecommunications systems[,] and non-recurring costs associated with providing for additional functional capacity at the regional emergency telecommunications center, SHALL NOT EXCEED TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. Transition grants are limited by the availability of funds and SHALL BE subject to the approval of the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications. Reimbursable expenses include the following:
 - (1) Moving telephone lines related to emergency telecommunications radio systems;
 - (2) Changes to existing radio systems of the affected parties that are required by the move;
 - (3) Emergency telecommunications equipment required by the regional telecommunications center to facilitate the incorporation of another municipality; and
 - (4) Analysis, design or planning of a new regional emergency telecommunications center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP. Municipalities are eligible for analysis, design and planning costs, allocated on a one-time basis, for new regional centers at the rate of [twenty thousand] FIFTEEN THOUSAND dollars for the first [three] TWO member municipalities plus an additional five thousand dollars for each additional member municipality.
- (b) Any entity provided with transition grant funds shall be audited in accordance with the provisions of [S]sections 4-230 to 4-236 of the Connecticut General Statutes
- (c) Transition grant requests shall contain the following information and documentation:
 - (1) Detailed description of the current emergency telecommunications services offered by the participating municipalities [which] THAT will be relocated to the regional center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP;

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- (2) Detailed listing of the expenses related to transition of the existing center to the regional center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP;
- (3) Certification[,]by the legislative body having jurisdiction over the existing municipal emergency telecommunications center [,]OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP that the move to the regional center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP is authorized, including the date of the effective change; and
- (4) Certification by the regional emergency telecommunications center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP regarding the participation of an additional member municipality.
- (d) Transition grant requests shall be submitted to the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, not less than six months prior to the effective date of the move. The Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, shall act on transition grant requests no later than ninety days after its receipt of the grant application.
- (e) Municipalities receiving transition grants for reimbursable expenses under the provisions of this section shall not be eligible for transition grants for a period of five years from the date of the award of the original transition grant.
- (f) A municipality or group of municipalities [which] THAT receives a transition grant and [which] THAT relocates to a stand-alone operation [or], another regional emergency telecommunications center OR TO A MULTI-TOWN PSAP within two years of receipt of a transition grant shall refund the amount of such grant to the State of Connecticut, Office of the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.
- (g) UNCONSOLIDATED FUNDED CITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSITION GRANTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSOLIDATION OF 9-1-1 SERVICES.

Sec. 28-24-6. Application procedures

Applications for regional emergency telecommunications center OR MULTI-TOWN PSAP transition grants shall be made on forms furnished by and filed with the DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, [P.O. Box 2794,] 1111 Country Club Road, Middletown, CT 06457-9294.

Sec. 28-24-7. Implementation of a regional emergency telecommunications service credit

(a) Every municipality shall be eligible for a regional emergency telecommunications service credit for coordinated medical emergency direction (CMED) services. This service credit shall be based upon the factor of [twenty-five cents] THIRTY CENTS per capita, utilizing the most recent Department of Public Health population data. [This credit shall be reduced by five cents each year until the credit value of zero is achieved.] Only those entities approved by the Department of Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services, as CMEDs, AND which operate under approved plans for communications systems developed by emergency medical services councils under the provisions of [S]section 19a-182 of the Connecticut General Statutes, shall be eligible to receive the regional emergency telecommunications service credit. Municipalities shall designate the

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recipient of their CMED credit and notify the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, prior to [July 1st] APRIL 1ST of each year[,] of said designation.

(b) The regional emergency telecommunications service credit is calculated with the formula of *variable r* (service credit value) equals *variable p* (population) times [.25].30.

Sec. 28-24-8. Training of public safety telecommunicators

- (a) Funds from the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund shall be utilized for the presentation of telecommunicator training programs and expenses related to the development of training pursuant to [S]sections 28-30-1 to 28-30-11, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.
- (b) THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, SHALL ESTABLISH A TRAINING FUND TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ONGOING TRAINING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS. EACH PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAINING EXPENSES FOR 9-1-1. REIMBURSEMENT SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO TEN CENTS PER CAPITA, UTILIZING THE MOST RECENT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH POPULATION DATA. REQUESTS FOR FUNDING SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

Sec. 4. Sections 28-24-10 to 28-24-11, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies are amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28-24-10. Administration of enhanced [emergency] 9-1-1 program

- (a) [On and after June 1, 1997, e]Each telephone and telecommunications company providing local telephone service and each provider of commercial mobile radio service, as defined in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 47, Part 20, § 20.3, shall assess against each subscriber a fee established by the Department of Public Utility Control. The annual fee shall be determined at a proceeding, conducted by the Department of Public Utility Control, on or before June 1st of each year, based upon an annual operating budget developed by the Commissioner of Public Safety on or before April 1st of each year.
- (b) Any Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund surplus shall be carried forward to successive fiscal years and used for the sole purpose of administering the Enhanced [Emergency] 9-1-1 Program.
- (c) For the purpose of assessment of customer accounts with multiple lines, the monthly 9-1-1 assessment shall be determined in accordance with the progressive wire line inclusion schedule as follows:
 - (1) If the number of access wire lines equals one, then the assessment factor shall be 1.0;
 - (2) If the number of access wire lines equals two, then the assessment factor shall be .75;

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- (3) If the number of access wire lines equals three, then the assessment factor shall be .67;
- (4) If the number of access wire lines equals four or five, then the assessment factor shall be .6;
- (5) If the number of access wire lines is six, seven, eight, nine or ten, then the assessment factor shall be .5;
- (6) If the number of access wire lines is equal to or greater than eleven but less than 26, then the assessment factor shall be .4;
- (7) If the number of access wire lines is equal to or greater than 26, but less than 51, then the assessment factor shall be .33;
- (8) If the number of access wire lines is equal to or greater than 51, but less than 100, then the assessment factor shall be .25; and
- (9) If the number of access wire lines is equal to or greater than 100, then the assessment factor shall be .2.
- (d) [Subscriber access line assessments shall commence in June, 1997.] All access line assessments collected each month by telephone or telecommunications companies providing local telephone service and providers of commercial mobile radio service shall be remitted to the Office of the State Treasurer for deposit into the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund no later than the fifteenth day of each month.
- (e) No later than February 1st of each year, each telephone or telecommunications company providing local telephone service and each provider of commercial mobile radio service shall submit to the Department of Public Safety, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, the number of Connecticut subscribers on record as of January 1st of each year.
- (f) The monthly subscriber fee shall not exceed fifty cents per month.
- (g) Prior to April 1st of each year, the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, shall calculate the amount of funding required to implement the provisions of [S]sections 28-24-1 to [28-24-11,] 28-24-14, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. This amount shall be adjusted annually to reflect the projected amount needed to implement the provisions of [S]sections 28-24-1 to [28-24-11] 28-24-14, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.
- (h) An annual operating budget for the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications shall be prepared, detailing projected expenditures for the administration of the Enhanced [Emergency] 9-1-1[-] Program. This budget shall be submitted to the Department of Public Utility Control as part of the proceeding to determine the monthly fee to be assessed against each subscriber of local telephone service and each subscriber of commercial mobile radio service.

Sec. 28-24-11. Administration of the enhanced [emergency] 9-1-1 program by the office of state-wide emergency telecommunications

Funds from the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund shall be used to pay for the administration of the Enhanced [Emergency] 9-1-1 Program by the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications. To ensure compliance with the provisions of [S]sections 28-24-1 to [28-24-11] 28-24-14, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, [the Commissioner of Public Safety or his designee] REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, [is] ARE

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authorized to enter upon and inspect public or private safety answering points receiving funding from the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.

Sec. 5. The Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies are amended by adding sections 28-24-12 to 28-24-14, inclusive, as follows:

(NEW) Sec. 28-24-12. Capital expense account

- (a) On or after January 1, 2006, regional emergency communications centers and funded municipalities may apply for funding for the purpose of reimbursing such entities for capital expenditures as defined in section 28-24-1(b)(10) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. The Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, may create a capital expense account for the purpose of providing reimbursement of capital expenditures as defined in section 28-24-1(b)(10) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. The Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications, shall reserve 12.5% of the regional emergency communications center or funded municipality's annual subsidy, with a 25% cap in year two. Capital expenditure funds shall not be used for real estate and building purchases. Architectural services, building materials, restoration services and labor needed to accommodate new equipment in existing buildings shall be eligible for funding. Capital expenditure funds shall be subject to the requirement of matching funds by the municipality served by the public safety answering point applying for funding. Documentation of the availability of matching funds shall be provided by the chief elected official of the municipality to the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications. Capital expenditure reimbursements are limited by the availability of funds and subject to the approval of the Department of Public Safety, Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications.
- (b) Funded municipalities and regional emergency telecommunications centers may use up to 50% of their enhanced 9-1-1 funded subsidy for capital expenditures.
- (c) Requests for capital expense funds shall be submitted to the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications no less than 90 days prior to the anticipated expenditure.
- (d) Capital expense funds for a regional emergency communications center or a funded municipality may be held for a period of seven years. Funds not used within the seven-year period will be returned to the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund for reallocation.

(NEW) Sec. 28-24-13. Funding for public safety answering points operated by connecticut state police

Public safety answering points operated by Connecticut State Police shall be subsidized at the rate of \$1 per 9-1-1 call as calculated by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications utilizing call counts for the previous calendar year. Funding shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing enhanced 9-1-1 services.

(NEW) Sec. 28-24-14. Public safety service data network

The Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications shall provide funding for a public safety service data network on an annual basis. Funding shall be determined by

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the availability of funds and shall be subject to approval by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To update regulations providing for the disbursement and collection of funds collected and deposited into the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.

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